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FM AMEMBASSY JIDDA

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INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMEMBASSY SEOUL

AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: TRAVELS OF SAUDI FOREIGN MINISTER TO
CHINA, KOREA AND U.S.

1. SAUDI MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS,
SAYYID OMAR SAQQAF, TOLD THE AMBASSADOR HE INTENDS
TO CUT SHORT HIS PROJECTED FIVE WEEK TRIP AROUND THE
WORLD AFTER THE LAHORE ISLAMIC SUMMIT CONFERENCE.
HE NOW PLANS TO VISIT ONLY TAIPEI AND SEOUL, AND
EXPECTS TO BE BACK IN SAUDI ARABIA BY THE END OF FEB.

2. THE MINISTER ALSO PLANS TO GO TO CARACAS FOR
THE INAUGURATION OF THE NEW VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT
AND THEN WOULD LIKE TO RETURN VIA WASHINGTON PRO-
VIDED THE OIL BOYCOTT IS LIFTED BY THEN AND HIS
VISIT CAN HAVE POSITIVE RESULTS.

3. HE SAYS HE WISHES TO SEE ONLY SECRETARY
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KISSINGER AND BILL SIMON.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT THE AMBASSADOR BE
INSTRUCTED TO INFORM THE MINISTER THAT IF THE
BOYCOTT HAS BEEN LIFTED HE WOULD BE MOST WELCOME
AND COULD EXPECT TO HAVE VERY CONSTRUCTIVE TALKS
IN WASHINGTON WITH THE SECRETARY AND OTHERS.
THAT IF THE VISIT DOES TAKE PLACE, THE RED CARPET
BE ROLLED OUT.
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